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# RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Response is hereby made to the "Notice of File Missing Parts" herein mailed June 18, 2004.

A copy of this notice is appended hereto and a Request for Two Month Extension of Time, with check to cover the fee is also filed herewith.

A check to cover the small entity surcharge fee of \$65.00 for filing an inventors' declaration subsequent to the filing of the application is appended hereto.

Also appended hereto and filed herewith are:

- (1) The declaration of each of the three inventors
- (2) A new set of drawings (one page) that is believed to conform to the standards of the Rules of Practice and was prepared by an Office approved draftsman.

(3) A group of proposed replacement pages for the application reflecting changes, primarily requested by co-inventor Wright except for changes that appear on the final page 17 of the specification relating to the numbers of Figures 2 and 3 and the types of lines selected by the draftsman (in lieu of the different colors of the lines used in the originally filed drawings) to differentiate various patient samples from one another in Figures 2 and 3.

Also appended is a copy of the Filing Receipt herein, on which inked entries denote the changes being requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
  A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(I) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) 1.

#### **SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

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